

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1341

Introduced by Assembly Member Bermudez

February 21, 2003

An act to amend Section 5023 of the Penal Code, relating to corrections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1341, as introduced, Bermudez. Corrections: health care.

Existing law provides that the Department of Corrections shall consult with the California Medical Assistance Commission to assist the department in planning and negotiating contracts for the purchase of health care services.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 5023 of the Penal Code is amended to
- 2 read:
- 3 5023. (a) (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that the
- 4 Department of Corrections operate in the most cost-effective and
- 5 efficient manner possible when purchasing health care services for
- 6 inmates. ~~To~~
- 7 (2) To achieve this goal, it is desirable that the department have
- 8 the benefit and experience of the California Medical Assistance

1 Commission in planning and negotiating for the purchase of health
2 care services.

3 (b) (1) The Department of Corrections shall consult with the
4 commission to assist the department in planning and negotiating
5 contracts for the purchase of health care services. ~~The~~

6 (2) *The* commission shall advise the department, and may
7 negotiate directly with providers on behalf of the department, as
8 mutually agreed upon by the commission and the department.

